

be known as the Board of Actuaries, whose duty it shall be to annually report upon the actual operations of this Act, with authority to recommend to the Commissioner of Pensions such changes as in their judgment may be deemed necessary to protect the public interest and maintain the system upon a sound financial basis, and they shall make a valuation of the "civil-service retirement and disability fund" at intervals of five years, or oftener if deemed necessary by the Commissioner of Pensions; they shall also prepare such tables as may be required by the Commissioner of Pensions for the purpose of computing annuities under this Act. The compensation of the members of the Board of Actuaries, exclusive of the Government actuary, shall be fixed by the Commissioner of Pensions with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior.

Preparation of annuity tables, etc.

Compensation.

ADMINISTRATION

Administration.

SEC. 17. For the purpose of administration, except as otherwise provided herein, the Commissioner of Pensions, under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, be, and is hereby, authorized and directed to perform, or cause to be performed, any and all acts and to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary and proper for the purpose of carrying the provisions of this Act into full force and effect. An appeal to the Secretary of the Interior shall lie from the final action or order of the Commissioner of Pensions affecting the rights or interests of any person or of the United States under this Act, the procedure on appeal to be as prescribed by the Commissioner of Pensions, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior.

Authority conferred on Commissioner of Pensions.
Vol. 41, p. 616.

Appeal to Secretary of the Interior.

The Commissioner of Pensions shall make a detailed comparative report annually showing all receipts and disbursements on account of annuities, refunds, and allowances, together with the total number of persons receiving annuities and the total amounts paid them, and he shall transmit to Congress, through the Secretary of the Interior, the reports and recommendations of the Board of Actuaries.

Detailed annual report of receipts, disbursements, etc.
Vol. 41, p. 620, amended.

The Secretary of the Interior shall submit annually to the Bureau of the Budget estimates of the appropriations necessary to finance the retirement and disability fund and to continue this Act in full force and effect.

Estimates annually to Bureau of Budget.
Vol. 41, p. 620, amended.

EXEMPTION FROM EXECUTION, AND SO FORTH

Exemption of annuities.

SEC. 18. None of the moneys mentioned in this Act shall be assignable, either in law or equity, or be subject to execution, levy, or attachment, garnishment, or other legal process.

Moneys from, nonassignable, etc.
Vol. 41, p. 620.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Effective date.

SEC. 19. This Act shall become effective as of July 1, 1926, and all laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed as of said effective date.

In effect July 1, 1926. Inconsistent laws repealed.

Approved, July 3, 1926.

CHAP. 802.—Joint Resolution To provide for the expenses of delegates of the United States to the International Sanitary Conference to meet at Paris on May 10, 1926.

July 3, 1926.
[H. J. Res. 232.]
[Pub. Res., No. 41.]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby author-

International Sanitary Conference.

Expenses of delegates to, authorized.

ized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$2,500 for the expenses of three officials of the Public Health Service as delegates of the United States to the International Sanitary Conference which is to meet at Paris on May 10, 1926, for the purpose of revising the International Sanitary Convention of 1912.

Approved, July 3, 1926.

July 3, 1926.

[S. J. Res. 25.]

[Pub. Res., No. 42.]

Military Academy.
Admission of two
Siamese subjects to,
authorized.

Provisos.
No Government ex-
pense.
Conditions.

Oath and service.

R. S., secs. 1320, 1321,
p. 227.

CHAP. 803.—Joint Resolution Authorizing the Secretary of War to receive, for instruction at the United States Military Academy at West Point, two Siamese subjects, to be designated hereafter by the Government of Siam.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he hereby is, authorized to permit two Siamese subjects, to be designated hereafter by the Government of Siam, to receive instruction at the United States Military Academy at West Point: *Provided*, That no expense shall be caused to the United States thereby, and that the said Siamese subjects shall agree to comply with all regulations for the police and discipline of the academy, to be studious, and to give their utmost efforts to accomplish the courses in the various departments of instruction, and that the said Siamese subjects shall not be admitted to the academy until they shall have passed the mental and physical examinations prescribed for candidates from the United States, and that they shall be immediately withdrawn if deficient in studies or in conduct and so recommended by the Academic Board: *And provided further*, That in the case of the said Siamese subjects the provisions of sections 1320 and 1321 of the Revised Statutes shall be suspended.

Approved, July 3, 1926.

July 3, 1926.

[S. J. Res. 47.]

[Pub. Res., No. 43.]

World War con-
tracts.
Credit allowed con-
tractors for payments
received in settlement
of, from Army and
Navy disbursing offi-
cers.

Vol. 42, p. 497.

Vol. 43, p. 860.

CHAP. 804.—Joint Resolution Authorizing the Comptroller General of the United States to allow credit to contractors for payments received from either Army or Navy disbursing officers in settlement of contracts entered into with the United States during the period from April 6, 1917, to November 11, 1918.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the General Accounting Office is hereby authorized in the discretion of the Comptroller General of the United States to allow credit to contractors for payments received from either Army or Navy disbursing officers in settlement of contracts entered into with the United States during the period from April 6, 1917, to November 11, 1918, and where said payments have been credited in the accounts of the respective disbursing officers pursuant to the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act authorizing the Comptroller General of the United States to allow credits to and relieve certain disbursing officers of the War and Navy Departments in the settlement of certain accounts," approved April 21, 1922 (Forty-second Statutes at Large, page 497), as extended by the Act approved February 11, 1925 (Forty-third Statutes at Large, page 860).

Approved, July 3, 1926.

July 3, 1926.

[S. J. Res. 51.]

[Pub. Res., No. 44.]

Tomb of the Un-
known Soldier.

CHAP. 805.—Joint Resolution Providing for the completion of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in the Arlington National Cemetery.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to secure competitive designs